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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2132–2137, and S. Res. 242–243. Pages S2722–23

Measures Passed:

Health Care Safety Net Amendments: Senate passed S. 1533, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize and strengthen the health centers program and the National Health Service Corps, and to establish the Healthy Communities Access Program, which will help coordinate services for the uninsured and underinsured, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: Pages S2754–55

Reid (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 3134, in the nature of a substitute. Pages \$2754-55

Energy Policy Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 517, to authorize funding for the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships for fiscal years 2002 through 2006, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Daschle/Bingaman Further Modified Amendment No. 2917, in the nature of a substitute.

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Kerry/McCain Amendment No. 2999 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide for increased average fuel economy standards for passenger automobiles and light trucks.

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Dayton/Grassley Amendment No. 3008 (to Amendment No. 2917), to require that Federal agencies use ethanol-blended gasoline and biodiesel-blended diesel fuel in areas in which ethanol-blended gasoline and biodiesel-blended diesel fuel are available.

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Lott Amendment No. 3028 (to Amendment No. 2917), to provide for the fair treatment of Presidential judicial nominees. Page \$2696

Landrieu/Kyl Amendment No. 3050 (to Amendment No. 2917), to increase the transfer capability of electric energy transmission systems through participant-funded investment.

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Graham Amendment No. 3070 (to Amendment No. 2917), to clarify the provisions relating to the Renewable Portfolio Standard.

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Schumer/Clinton Amendment No. 3093 (to Amendment No. 2917), to prohibit oil and gas drilling activity in Finger Lakes National Forest, New York.

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Dayton Amendment No. 3097 (to Amendment No. 2917), to require additional findings for FERC approval of an electric utility merger. Page \$2696

Schumer Amendment No. 3030 (to Amendment No. 2917), to strike the section establishing a renewable fuel content requirement for motor vehicle fuel.

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Feinstein/Boxer Amendment No. 3115 (to Amendment No. 2917), to modify the provision relating to the renewable content of motor vehicle fuel to eliminate the required volume of renewable fuel for calendar year 2004.

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Murkowski/Breaux/Stevens Amendment No. 3132 (to Amendment No. 2917), to create jobs for Americans, to reduce dependence on foreign sources of crude oil and energy, to strengthen the economic self determination of the Inupiat Eskimos and to promote national security.

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Stevens Amendment No. 3133 (to Amendment No. 3132), to create jobs for Americans, to strengthen the United States steel industry, to reduce dependence on foreign sources of crude oil and energy, and to promote national security. Pages \$2696–\$2717

A motion was entered to close further debate on Stevens Amendment No. 3133 (to Amendment No. 3132 (listed above) and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a cloture vote will occur on Thursday, April 18, 2002.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on Murkowski/Breaux/Stevens Amendment No. 3132 (to Amendment No. 2917) (listed above) and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a cloture vote will occur on Thursday, April 18, 2002. Page S2714

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Wednesday, April 17, 2002.

Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nomination of Lance M. Africk, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, April 17, 2002, with a vote to occur thereon.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Walter Lukken, of Indiana, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2005.

Vinicio E. Madrigal, of Louisiana, to be a Member of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences for a term expiring June 20, 2003.

L.D. Britt, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences for the remainder of the term expiring May 1, 2005.

Linda J. Stierle, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences for a term expiring May 1, 2007.

William C. De La Pena, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences for a term expiring June 20, 2007.

James E. McMahon, of South Dakota, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota for the term of four years.

David William Thomas, of Delaware, to be United States Marshal for the District of Delaware for the term of four years.

Stephen Robert Monier, of New Hampshire, to be United States Marshal for the District of New Hampshire for the term of four years.

Jose Gerardo Troncoso, of Nevada, to be United States Marshal for the District of Nevada for the term of four years. (Reappointment)

Gary Edward Shovlin, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

Thomas M. Fitzgerald, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

Randy Paul Ely, of Texas, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Texas for the term of four years.

Ruben Monzon, of Texas, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Texas for the term of four years.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy. Pages S2755-56

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Adjournment: Senate met at 11 a.m., and adjourned at 6:57 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Wednesday, April 17, 2002. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2755.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—FAA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation concluded hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2003 for the Federal Aviation Administration, focusing on aviation safety and capacity issues, after receiving testimony from Jane F. Garvey, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation.

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings to examine the authorization and reform of Technology Administration and the National Institute of Standards and Technology programs, focusing on the Advanced Technology Program, after receiving testimony from Samuel Bodman, Deputy Secretary of Commerce; Anne A. Armstrong, Virginia's Center for Innovative Technology, Herndon; Lewis M. Branscomb, Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Scott Donnelly, General Electric Company, Niskayuna, New York.

U.S./MEXICO RELATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps and Narcotics Affairs concluded hearings to examine U.S./Mexican relations issues, including migration, drugs, economic trade, the North American Development Bank (NADBank), the Border Environment Cooperation Commission (BECC), and border issues, after receiving testimony Representative Reyes; Alan P. Larson, Under Secretary of State for Economics, Business and Agricultural Affairs; John B. Taylor, Under Secretary of Treasury for International Affairs; James W. Ziglar, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; and Barbara